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Among them is Strafford's touching and eloquent plea for his life, with the extracts from which, in Hume's History, all readers are familiar. Among those of a later day, we find all of Burke's speeches which he prepared for the press, except the one on Economical Reform. Fox supplies six, among which are the admirable ones on the Westminster Scrutiny, on the Russian Armament, and on the rejection of Bonaparte's overtures for peace. Only three are taken from Fox's great rival, the younger Pitt, while we find nine of Erskine's unrivalled pleadings at the bar, four speeches by Canning, and five by Brougham. Eight of the celebrated Letters of Junius are inserted, with doubtful propriety, as it seems to us; for they have no better claim to such a place than some of the eloquent political articles in the Edinburgh Review, or many of the "thundering" leaders in The Times newspaper. We grudge any honor paid to Junius, who did well not to allow his mask to be removed, even in the tomb. He was an anonymous libeller, malignant in purpose and savage in hate. Men forget the turpitude of his writings in their curiosity to ascertain his name.

We have said enough to commend Professor Goodrich's volume to the attention of our readers, especially of those who are engaged in directing the rhetorical studies of the young. It is founded mainly on a course of lectures delivered by the editor, in his capacity of Professor of Rhetoric and Oratory in Yale College. Should it meet with favor, an intimation is given that it may be followed by another volume, made up from a subsequent course of lectures, on American eloquence. The oration of Demosthenes on the Crown supplied a text for a third course, on the principles of oratory and the eloquence of the ancients.

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3. — *A Treatise on Some of the Insects of New England, which are Injurious to Vegetation.* By THADDEUS WILLIAM HARRIS, M. D. Second Edition. Boston. Printed by White & Potter. 1852. 8vo. pp. 513.

WE need not do more than announce the appearance of a revised and enlarged edition of a work so widely known and highly esteemed as Dr. Harris's treatise on the insects which are injurious to vegetation. It was first published about ten years ago, as one of the scientific reports on the Zoölogical and Botanical Survey of Massachusetts, which was executed at the expense of the State. The volume had long

been out of print, and the author having meanwhile collected much fresh material, this new impression of it appears with an addition of about fifty pages to the former contents, and with many changes and improvements in other respects. The plan of the work is an excellent one; it is neither exclusively scientific, nor exclusively practical. The skilful entomologist may derive instruction from it, while it teaches the plain farmer and horticulturist how to get rid of, or abate, many nuisances, which have annually diminished his crops and shortened the lives, besides marring the appearance, of his shrubs and trees. Thus far, we speak only theoretically, and upon the testimony of others; for entomology is to us an occult science, and the only gardens and cultivated fields that we really enjoy are those of our neighbors. But any one can safely maintain that it is pleasanter to read about insects than to hear or feel them; and he who reads only to satisfy a general curiosity, or to wile away the passing hour, will find Dr. Harris's book by no means an uninteresting one. It has really put us in better humor with some of the subjects it treats of—not with all of them;—for after all, they are less offensive and impotunate than the flies and grubs of literature, whom it is our vocation to brush away and extirpate. Dr. Harris's style is clear, easy and natural; and in his account of the transformations and habits of the little pests, with which he appears to be so familiar, there is much to interest and instruct the reflecting student and the lover of nature. The farmer and the practical horticulturist will find it for their advantage to have the work constantly at hand for purposes of reference. A large edition of the work has been struck off at the expense of the State, to be circulated gratuitously in our farming towns; but a few copies remain for sale to those who may not be able to avail themselves of this general distribution.

4.—I. *Historia de la Literatura Española*, por M. G. TICKNOR. Traducida al Castellano, con Adiciones y Notas Críticas. Por D. PASCUAL DE GAYANGOS y D. ENRIQUE DE VEDIA.

II. *Geschichte der Schönen Literatur in Spanien*, von GEORG TICKNOR. Deutsch mit Zusätzen herausgegeben, von NIKOLAUS HEINRICH JULIUS.

ON the first appearance of Mr. Ticknor's History of Spanish Literature, an elaborate review of it was published in this journal. The